

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2258 - SB 2654

March 5, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Extends the Relative Caregiver Pilot Program in the Department of Children's Services for two additional years to June 30, 2004.
- Expands the pilot program to Knox and Hamilton Counties. Currently, the pilot areas are Shelby and Davidson Counties and the Upper Cumberland Region, consisting of Cannon, Clay, Cumberland, DeKalb, Fentress, Jackson, Macon, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Smith, Van Buren, Warren, and White Counties. Funding for the current pilot program has been \$2,000,000 each year from federal TANF dollars. The federal funding for the program will end September 30, 2002 unless the U. S. Congress reauthorizes the TANF funds.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$3,000,000

Assumes state funding of \$2,000,000 each year for two years to replace federal funding for the current program and an additional \$1,000,000 each year for two years to add Knox and Hamilton Counties to the program.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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